

प्रधान मंत्री Prime Minister <u>MESSAGE</u>

या देवी सर्वभूतेषु शक्तिरूपेण संस्थिता। नमस्तस्यै नमस्तस्यै नमस्तस्यै नमो नमः॥

Heartiest wishes on the auspicious occasion of Durga Puja and Navratri.

As a loving and compassionate Mother, Maa Durga nourishes us and our nation with her blessings. To forces of evil, She is Death Incarnate, but to Her children, She is the ever-smiling Mother who fills us with strength, courage and a spirit of service.

Maa Durga teaches us to take on evil in every form. Let us resolve to fight all negativity, be it external or internal, individual or social.

The lively pandals, festive atmosphere and devotion seen during Durga Puja and Navratri leave a spiritual, social and cultural impact on everyone who participates.

Worshipping the multiple forms of Maa Durga during Navratri reminds us that we can all be different and yet, be a part of the same whole. These celebrations unite the entire nation in a common thread of devotion, bringing people from various sections of society together. It reminds us that, as Maa Durga's children, we are all one.

May the omnipresent and omnipotent forms of Maa Durga continue to shower Her blessings, grace and affection upon Her children.

I offer my prayers at the divine feet of Maa Durga and seek Her blessings for our nation and its people.

(Narendra Modi)

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